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DEVELOPMENT OF IT AND IT PARKS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have allocated any funds for the States for the development of IT sector in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the amount allocated for developing of IT sector in the country during the next three years State-wise;

(d) the list of IT Parks or Tidal Parks in the country, location-wise, the total expenditure incurred on each of the IT Parks and the role of respective State Governments in establishing the IT Parks;

(e) the number of IT Parks to be established in the next two years, location-wise, the amount allocated and the amount disbursed so far; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to release the balance amount?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN)

(a),(b) & (c): Ministry of Information Technology supports variety of technology projects and pilot application programms in Information Technology which are being implemented by different agencies in the States. No specific allocation of funds for projects in Information Technology sector is made state-wise. However, funds are made available to the states where specific projects of technology development or pilot projects are taken up for implementation.

(d): Software Technology Parks of India (STPI), a societyunder the Ministry of Information Technology (MIT) has set-up Software Technology Parks (STP) in the following States:

Sl.No.	State	Location
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad, Vizag
2.	Assam	Guwahati
3.	Gujarat	Gandhinagar
4.	Karnataka	Bangalore, Manipal & Mysore
5.	Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram
6.	Maharashtra	Pune and Navi Mumbai
7	Madhya Pradesh	Indore
8.	Orissa	Bhubaneshwar
9.	Punjab	Mohali
10.	Rajasthan	Jaipur
11.	Tamil Nadu	Chennai & Coimbatore
12.	Uttar Pradesh	Noida

The Government of West Bengal and Goa have also set up STPs in their states. In the case of STP at Goa, the Central Government has provided part financial support. The estimated cost for the setting up of STP, excluding land and builidng varies from Rs.3 crores to Rs.5 crores depending upon technical requirements. The State Government generally provide friendly policy environment, fiscal measures and the support in tems of land and building.

(e) & (f): Part assistance is being provided to set up STPs at the following locations:

1. Sikkim (Gangtok) as hub centre to STPI Guwahati.

2. Hubli (Karnataka)

3. Srinagar (J&K)

4. Pondicherry (Pondicherry)

5. Shimla (Himachal Pradesh)

An amount of Rs.2 crores has been released during 2000-2001 so far by MIT. Additional amount will be released subject to requirement and availability of funds.